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SUBJECT: INDOCHINESE REFUGEE BOAT CASES: ETHNIC CHINESE?

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WE NOTE REFTTEL THAT UNHCR REPS APPARENTLY REPORTING ALMOST ALL BOAT CASES ETHNIC-CHINESE. BASED ON FIELD REPORTING, WE BELIEVE THIS IS NOT CORRECT. WHILE ETHNIC BACKGROUND OF REFUGEE WOULD HAVE LITTLE OR NO BEARING ON REFUGEE STATUS, IT MAY HAVE EFFECT ON WHICH COUNTRIES ARE WILLING TO ACCEPT THE REFUGEE FOR PERMANENT RESETTLEMENT (E.G. FRENCH REPORTEDLY DO NOT WISH TO ACCEPT ETHNIC CHINESE). REQUEST COMMENT BY SEA POSTS ON ETHNIC BACKGROUND OF BOAT CASE REFUGEES. ROBINSON

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